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K. N. C.

In Hoc Signo Vinces.

School Excursion From Prestonsburg Was a Big Success.

A FINE BODY OF STUDENTS.

They came, they saw, they conquered. At least one hundred and seventy-five young, good-looking, well-appearing men and women from the good old county of Floyd strolled the metropolis of the good old county of Lawrence last Monday, and we capitulated without a struggle, willing prisoners of such a splendid crowd. They came down on the morning train to visit the fair city where their famous school, the Kentucky Normal College, is to be located. The visitors were composed in the main of pupils and teachers of the college, and with them were many of Prestonsburg's representative people who came to say, and I say, how reluctant they were to part with Professor Byington. And they were kind enough to say, it is true, that if they must lose their Professor they might rather see him go to Louisia than to any other place.

Arriving here these visitors at once came our guides. The reception committee met them at the train and directed their subsequent movements. Pupils and their teachers wrote letters K. N. C. on cap or hat, and these letters invited to the leaders the best our city could afford.

Seated by the floating stars and stripes our guests formed a procession which passed over our principal streets, everywhere greeted with bows and shouts of welcome.

Arriving at the Court House the formal program began. Major Augustus Snyder, who had the direction of the exercises, called the audience to order and Rev. L. M. Copley offered an appropriate prayer. Then followed the address of welcome by Judge R. T. Isaacs. It was in his happiest vein, and the Judge must agree with us when we say it was a master. He had two abundant sources of inspiration, and he used them well. One was the fact that he was born at Bear Creek, and so was Professor Byington. The other was that he married a Floyd county girl. The judge's remarks along this line made an opening for one of the Logion speakers to say that he—Barnes—had not had a monopoly in courting a Prestonsburg girl. Mr. Burns' speech was a characteristically good one and well received by the splendid audience which literally packed the big room like sardines in a box, swilling up through the door and down the stairs.

Following the address of welcome came the response on part of the K. N. C. It was made by Young Allen, a pupil, and he showed that our county had produced Alex Martin was fruitful in orators. Mr. Allen's address abounded in strong language, periods of eloquent periods delivered. He has a right to it. W. J. Vaughan, H. C. and G. W. Castle, and May, Stephens and Byington, made appropriate speeches.

Professor Byington's plain, forcible address and manner convinced all who heard him that we have made no mistake in calling him to Louisville. He strongly appeals to us as the proper man to shape and direct the educational affairs of this people. We hold he has on the affectionate regard of the people among whom he has labored so long, was strong in evidence last Monday, and we believe that before he has been with our people very long he will be as strongly intrusted in our favor and esteem.

Lawrence county is so strong, let us tell you, when it comes to public speakers. Sullivan, Vaughan and Castle represented Lawrence before the big audience, and although built upon very dissimilar lines of thought all these gentlemen said was appropriate and well said. But we remember that the day belonged to Prestonsburg.

After dinner, which the hotels and restaurants served abundantly well, the city being host, our guests walked about town, visited the lock and dam and had a big picture made and at four o'clock assembled again in the Court House. Here we were treated to three well-rendered recitations by as many little misses.

pupils of the college. Voice, action and expression, all showed careful training, and showed us a little of what we as future patrons of the college might expect. These were followed by a short address, well spoken, by Mr. Fred Vaughan, now a teacher in the Paintsville public school and who will join forces with Prof. Byington about January 1. A few remarks by W. D. O'Neal and a short speech by Dr. G. W. Wright concluded the exercises of the afternoon. The K. N. C. folks in a body then paid a visit of inspection to our public school building, and when they were ready for the train and far home. Not the slightest marring incident occurred all day long, and the interest and good feeling developed by this happy occasion will long be remembered.

The NEWS desires to emphasize this fact as strongly as possible. The Kentucky Normal College has been an unqualified success in Prestonsburg and the unquestioned capability, business capacity and untiring energy of Professor Byington, ably seconded by a competent corps of assistants, wrought the splendid results which are recognized by the patrons of the school. This school is coming to Louisia. It will open on the 1st day of next September. Mr. Byington's pupils will follow him, and they will without doubt be largely increased by boys and girls, young men and young women, from this and other counties. Here will be presented a grand opportunity for those who desire an education which will fit them for any vocation in life. And it will be within the reach of all.

NOTES OF THE DAY.

Sept. 20, 1906. At the Court House, was one of the guests of the occasion.

Mr. Campbell, the handsome bachelor Superintendent of Schools of Floyd County, made an entertaining impromptu address.

Many of the K. N. C. young ladies visited the NEWS office and were much interested in the operation of the typewriter.

Miss Atkinson, who has charge of the music department, was present. She is from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and is very competent.

Miss Williams, teacher in education, had an example of her work shown to good advantage when the children referred to above recited so charmingly.

Attorney W. J. May, of Prestonsburg, talked interestingly and was liberally applauded. Like the other speakers, he laud the College and its management and regretted to give it up.

The exceptionally good behavior of the visiting school boys was the subject of remark by those who have seen such heretics before. When out on a crowd of school boys are really very boisterous, but such is not the case here.

Prof. Kennison, of the Faculty, and Mrs. Kennison, were here. He is a thoroughly educated gentleman and has been Prof. Byington's chief assistant for five years. He is a native of Maine. His work is highly praised by all who are acquainted with it.

Hon. A. B. Stephens, who came along and eloquently delivered a strong tribute to Prof. Byington and his school, uttered the deepest regret over the fact that the College is leaving Prestonsburg. Mr. Stephens is Commonwealth's Attorney for Judge Gardner's district. He is one of the ablest young men in Eastern Kentucky. The writer saw him when he first came to Prestonsburg from his home on Beaver and arranged to enter school. He was bare-footed and had a load of peaches, part of which he applied to tuition. He entered school soon afterward and devoured the contents of the text books as rapidly as the teacher gave him access to them.

The K. N. C. young ladies are very bright and attractive, and their quiet and refined manner added to the charm. The high order of intelligence possessed by them is in evidence.

evidence. Gathered from several counties in this part of the State they are fair representatives of that vigorous element of the mountains which seeks and secures an education in spite of difficulties, and then shines in whatever sphere or clime fate may assign. The mountain girls are gems and the polish that comes with education is very properly sought by all who have any chance at all. The Kentucky Normal College has been and will continue to be the best place in Kentucky to get a thorough education at small cost.

In Memoriam.

In Sunday School, April 24, 1906.

The death angel has again visited our school and taken from its happy roll sweet little Emily Frances Miller. Her bright eyes and lovely face that so often gladdened our hearts will be seen no more in our school. The Great Superintendent has transferred her sweet and sinless spirit up to the Great Sunday School above; and she is now one of that happy band of children "around the throne of God in Heaven." We miss her here, but we try to bow in submission to the will of Him "Who doeth all things well," and say as far as our human nature will allow us to say, "They will be done."

The bereaved father and mother, grandfather and grandmother, and the other relatives have our heartfelt sympathy. May God bless them all, and comfort their sad hearts with the blessed hope of meeting their dear Emily again in that land that knows no death.

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Pass not away."

R. T. Burns, Superintendent.

M. F. Conley, Secretary.

Prof. Thomas Throop.

In common with his many friends in Louisville, the NEWS regrets the retirement of Prof. Throop from the Louisville public school and his departure from this city. The steady work in the schoolsroom and the close confinement have impaired his health, and he deemed it best to leave this sort of work for more active employment. Prof. Throop came to Louisville a stranger, and by his ability as an instructor, his Christian character and perfectly correct demeanor he has made very

one session about ten years ago. The market was poor that year and many a man be if not days of peace? quit the business. He wrote to a friend, "Death has gone to preitable figures several times since last, and tobacco growers who have stuck to the business have made a good average, and that is the only way to know these things. We do not cultivate men because the price often gets very low. It doesn't frighten us because we know it will be higher again.

The canning products are not subject to fluctuations like corn, tobacco, cattle, and so forth all the other farm products. We do not mean to say

that all farmers are in position to

produce the factory crops any more

than they are all the other crops, but all who are so should engage

in the business. Good land and considerable industry are two require-

ments of success in this business.

Friday afternoon as the school

children were leaving their studies

a number of the little girls started

out Eight street toward the hill on

the mission of gathering flowers

they had not gotten much beyond

Eight avenue, when, by some mis-

chance, Lucile, the 12-year-old daughter

of Prof. U. G. Anderson, of Huntington, formerly of this place, tripped and fell, breaking her arm and suffering other minor injuries. The child was taken home, and then to

Kessler Hospital, where, on account

of the severity of the fracture, she

was placed under the influence of

an anesthetic, and by the use of the

X-Ray it was found that not only

the bone in the right forearm was

broken, but, in addition, the arm was

dislocated at the elbow.

Hospitable Always.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Burns opened their doors last Monday to the invading hosts from Floyd and bid them come in and eat. These accepted the invitation. Mrs. W. H. Harkins and daughters Misses Mary and Josephine; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dimick; W. H. May and wife; Mr. Albert Stevens; Rev. Mr. Anville; Miss Atkinson, the college music teacher; Mr. Harry Hatchett; Miss Fitzpatrick; and Mr. Clarence Hager, of Paintsville.

Made It Warm.

A large number of the young friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bromley went to their home Monday evening, furnished with pots, pans and pitchers; basins, buckets and brooms; cups, coffee-mills and sugar-spoons; dishes, doilies and darning needles, and showered them around the newly-married couple. The invaders called this a house-warming, and it certainly caused a genial warmth to pervade the breasts of the recipients.

CANNING FACTORY.

Considerable Acreage of Products Secured, But More Wanted.

The Louisville Canning Factory has secured a fairly good acreage of tomatoes for the present season, but the contracts for beans are not yet sufficient to be satisfactory.

If there are any others who want to raise tomatoes who should report at once. The factory can handle several acres more.

As to beans, we have a man who raised a considerable acreage last year say that the bean crop was what manner of man "Brother Johnson" just as desirable as tomatoes, and son" was, and though the phraseology may be different, the purport results. Farmers who fail to avail of the answer is the same: "He was eminent in plenty, warm in religion, zealous in good works, and kept himself unsupervised from the world." Those

blue eyes in his, when in health clear as a diamond, looked you full in the face, their gentle owner

able to say to any man, "Friend, I

take as to the price. You take

chances on every other product. The

1906 crop of tobacco brought a good

price. The producers in this section

denounced the loss of their tobacco crop in 1905 and the price was so low that

they lost money. So to with the

canning projects. The farmer knows

before he plants the crop what he

is to receive. The price to be paid

here this year is higher than almost

anywhere in the United States—2

cents per pound. The million

upon millions of cans packed each

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